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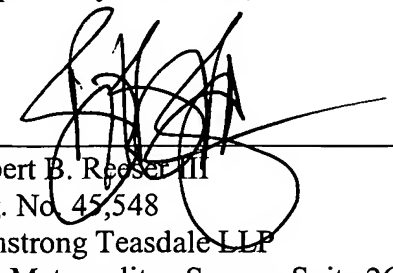
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In response to the Notice dated March 22, 2004 (copy attached), enclosed herewith is a Declaration Under Section 305(c) of the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958. This Declaration has been prepared and signed by the inventor(s), Bruce A. Carter, Mark A. Patel, and Louis Charles Stokley.

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Sir:

We, **Bruce A. Carter, Mark A. Patel, and Louis Charles Stokley**, do hereby declare:

That we are the inventors of the invention described and claimed in the above-referenced U.S. patent application;

That the invention was made while we were employed by the General Electric Company, the assignee of the subject invention, using facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services furnished by the General Electric Company;

That the invention set forth in the above-referenced U.S. Patent Application was not made (conceived or first actually reduced to practice) under nor is there any known relationship of the making of the invention to the performance of any work under any contract of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration;

That all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that

such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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